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Adrianople, Jan. 29. N. S.

ON the 26th Instant the Count *d'Otting*, Ambassador Extraordinary from the Emperor, arrived here from *Rustuck* on the *Danube*; He was met about a League from hence by the Aga of the Janizaries, accompanied by divers other Officers, and about half a League off he was received by the *Bostangi Bachi*, who conducted him to a House in the Suburbs of this City prepared for his Excellency's Entertainment, the Janizaries that are in Garrison here being ranged on each side the Streets through which the Ambassador passed; The following days have been spent by his Excellency in receiving Visits from all the Officers and Persons of Note that are in Town, (who have treated him with all possible Civility and Respect,) and in visiting the *Seraglio*, and other remarkable Places and Buildings. Yesterday the Ambassador's Baggage began to set forward for *Constantinople*, and his Excellency intends to morrow to continue his Journey thither, which he will probably perform in 12 or 14 days.

Rome, Febr. 20. The Pope's Health mends every day, and he continues to give Audiences, both to his own and to the Foreign Ministers. Several Persons having by his order been propoled some time ago to the *Imperial*, *French*, and *Spanish* Ambassadors, to be sent with the Character of his Nuncio's to these several Courts, the *French* Ambassador has declared, That the King his Master approves of Signior *Gualteri*, Legate of *Avignon*, to be Nuncio at *Paris*, and at the same time has recommended Signior *Salviati* to be made Legate of *Avignon*. The *Imperial* and *Spanish* Ambassadors have not yet declared which of the Persons, whose Names have been given to them, would be most acceptable to their Masters; But 'tis generally believed, Signior *Aquaviva* will be approved by the Court of *Vienna*, and Signior *Ruffo* by the Court of *Madrid*. Count *Martinitz*, Ambassador from the Emperor, is gone from hence to *Naples*, and it's not yet known whether he will return hither to take his Audience of Leave, or go home without it; the Pope still appearing very unwilling to give him Audience. The Cardinal *de Giudice* is made one of the Congregation of the Inquisition in the room of the late Cardinal *d'Aguire*. The Pope has ordered new Supplies of Money to be given to Cardinal *Pamphilio* for carrying on the Works at the Port of *Anzo*. The Discourse continues, that the Queen-Dowager of *Poland* will leave this Place in a short time and go to *Munich*, being invited thither by the Elector of *Bavaria*. The Princes *Alexander* and *Constantine Sobiesky*, her Sons, are daily expected here from *Venice*.

Milan, Febr. 17. The Difference relating to the Payment of the Arrears due to the *Swiss* Regiment in the Service of this Government being adjusted, they are now marching to their Rendezvous, in order forthwith to return to *Switzerland*. The Princess of *Vaudemont* is fallen very ill. Our Letters from *Florence* say, there was a great Earthquake on the 6th Instant at night at *Sienna*, which threw down several Churches, Houses, and other Buildings; That the Fortress of *Radicofani* was much damaged thereby, and that the Great Duke of *Tuscany* has ordered some Engineers to go and visit the same, and give Directions for repairing it.

Venice, Febr. 26. The Carnaval being ended, most of the Persons of Quality that were here, are gone to *Rome* on account of the Jubilee: Prince *James Sobiesky*, eldest Son to the late King of *Poland*, arrived here last week from *Olau* in *Silesia*, and intends in a day or two to go to *Rome*. The Doge, who has lately been dangerously ill, is perfectly recovered. The Convoy of Provisions and Ammunition that was prepared here sometimes ago for the *Levant*, is not yet sailed, by reason some Troops from *Terra firma*, which are to be sent with the same opportunity to recruit the *Venetian* Forces in the *Morea*, are not yet arrived. Letters from *Constantinople* of the 22d of the last Month give an account, that Signior *Soranzo*, Ambassador from this Republick, would make his Publick Entry there in few days; and that Count *Otting*, the Emperor's Ambassador, was shortly expected. These Letters add, that the Sophy of *Persia* seems enclined to break with the *Turks*, and some Advices add, that he has already begun Hostilities against them, and sent Succours to the *Arabs* that are in Rebellion near *Babylon*. The *Muscovite* Ambassadors at *Constantinople* had yet made but little Progress in their Negociation about making a Peace or prolonging the Truce with the Port, there being a difficulty in the way, which will not be easily removed; For the *Turks* insist upon the Restitution of *Azoph*, and the *Muscovites* seem resolved not to part with it.

Vienna, Febr. 24. The *Turkish* Ambassador has been invited to all the publick Entertainments and Diversions of the Court, on the occasion of the Carnaval. The Count *de Staremberg*, President of the Council of War, has in particular entertained him with a Ball, and a splendid Collation; and the Ambassador has made a Present to the Count *de Staremberg* of Two very fine *Turkish* Horses. The Carnaval was concluded last night with a *Wardschap*, a sort of Masquerade, in which the Maskers are clothed in different Dresses, representing several Nations. The States of *Lower-Austria* are still